



GROUP NEWS

September 2015



Jumble Sale

We need some helpers to assist with the forthcoming Jumble Sale at the Scout Hall. We are looking for drivers to help collecting Jumble on Friday 12th September 6.30pm at the Scout Hall, A car or van would be very useful. We also require help on the morning of Saturday 13th September 10am-12noon selling the Jumble, clearing up afterwards and to take the remainder of the Jumble to the Tip !

We also are **looking for help** at our second Jumble Sale. Friday 25th September, 9pm sorting Jumble and Saturday 26th September, 10am selling, 12noon clearing up and taking rubbish to the tip.

If you can help at all, even if it is only for an hour, then please contact our Jumble Sale coordinator Arti Mehta, email: jumble@pgscouts.org.uk

We really need your support.

JUMBLE SALES: Saturday 12th & 26th September

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival Service at Stubbings Church on Sunday 27th September at 3.25pm, we hope that all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Young Leaders will make the effort to attend this special service. Families of our members (& friends) are also invited to attend. our special service. More details will be sent out via section meetings

BEAVERS

Winter Hill Colony

Please remember that beavers should be dropped off and picked up from inside the hall and that full uniform including navy trousers or shorts should be worn. Our first meeting of the Autumn term will be 6.15pm prompt on Monday 14th September. I hope you have all had a lovely summer break,

Hathi (Catherine Weeks).



Littlewick Colony

We hope that everyone has enjoyed a good summer and are well rested and ready to start another year's worth of fun at beavers! We have a lot to look forward to this term at beavers, with our remembrance service, our Halloween and Christmas parties along with lots of exciting and new activities for the beavers to try!

Due to Bubbles retiring we are looking for help at Beaver meetings in order to have enough adult supervision during our sessions. If you feel you could contribute your time more regularly, and would be interested in becoming a sectional assistant in the group that would also help us out greatly. Beavers is great fun for adults and children alike and we want to ensure that we can still run the engaging and active activities that we know the children love

Please remember that beavers should be dropped off and picked up from inside the hall and that full uniform is worn. Don't forget to use our one way system, when bringing and collecting your child from Beavers. We start back on Monday 7th September at 6pm

Hawkeye (Veronica Martin)

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CUB NEWS

Littlewick Pack

Hello and welcome back! I hope you have had a wonderful summer break and you're ready for what is going to be a fun packed programme this Autumn!

We have a lot to look forward to this term with cub camp in our first week back and some important dates already for your diaries including two Jumble Sales on Saturday 12th September and Saturday 26th September, which will give you a great opportunity to clear out any unwanted items!

LG Akela

Winter Hill Pack

New term begins back on THURSDAY 3rd September when we will be at the Cub Camp site (Furze Platt Scouts site) pitching the tents for Cub Camp which starts the next day.

WH Akela



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SCOUT NEWS

Littlewick Troop

A new school year brings big changes and new challenges for the Littlewick Troop, but I am sure we will rise to them! As parents of the Scouts will already know, I have agreed to take on the role of Scout Leader for the Littlewick Troop following the departure of Kate and Ian Marshall at the end of last term. I have great plans for the Troop, and am keen to offer really exciting Scouting, but in the short term there is a shortage of adult leaders that urgently needs to be addressed. While I am currently ably supported by Charlotte Green as a Scout Section Assistant, we desperately need at least two new Assistant Scout Leaders to run the Troop on a

sustainable basis. All parents will have received a letter on this topic over the summer, but if anyone else is interested in becoming a leader or knows someone who might, then please ask them to contact me or Group Scout Leader Erica Hunter.

The second big change for the Troop is that we have moved from the Village Hall in Littlewick Green to the Scout Hall in Winter Hill Road. This is driven by the increased need for equipment that a Scout Troop has, and while we will keep our links with Littlewick Green (and particularly LW Beavers and Cubs), the Group's equipment being stored at the Scout Hall has necessitated the change.

At the time of writing the Autumn Term programme has not been set, but it will be active and adventurous for sure. Please remember to wear full uniform to Scouts each Monday and follow the one-way system as the nights get darker.

WH Scout Leader (David Barns)

Winterhill Troop

SUMMER CAMP – Brecon

Fifty plus, members of the Troop attended this year's camp the first couple of weeks of the summer holidays in Wales. We managed to update the PG web site www.pgscouts.org.uk all but the last two days at camp were dry, with photos of the activities and events we did.

Congratulations go to Panthers - PL Callum Kunchur , on winning both the Cooking and Camp competitions



I would like to thank Philip Kersey, Ian Miller, Ian Ruffell and Lawrence Ratcliff for driving the 7.5 ton lorries. All the parents and friends for helping with photocopying & binding the camp booklet and supplying various items for camp, and unloading the lorries after a long camp. I would also like to thank all the other parents and friends who helped us this year with donations and time.

A Special thank you goes the Leaders and Helpers who camped for the whole Camp; John Bannerman, Myles Rankin, Graham Wolfe, Jordan

Day-Hunt, Jordan Flynn and plus the leaders and helpers Alex Robins, Rob Ayre, Edmund Otun, BoB Weingarth, Matthew Milston, Jon Corbitt, Aidan Milston, James Carr, Nicolette Smith and Toby Ayre who were able to help for part of the camp.

This year as well as Scouts putting their Scouting skills training in to practice, they will be Pony Trekking, Climbing & Abseiling, Gorge Walking, and Hill walking up Pen-y-fan

Simon Wheeler (WH Scout Leader)

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23rd World Scout Jamboree

Myself, George Knott and Grace Marshall, arrived back to the UK, after the most amazing 3 weeks at the world scout jamboree.

We joined 40,000 other Scouts from around the world in Yamaguchi, Japan, and whilst we were there we experienced a host of activities, and made friends from all over the world, whom I am sure we will stay in contact for the rest of our lives.

Other highlights included Home hospitality, in which in pairs we went to stay with a traditional Japanese family, who treated us to delicious food and culture, including going to a waterfall, and some beautiful shrines. We also spent a few days in Tokyo, and went to the earthquake and the Skytree (second tallest building in the world), just to name a few, which were both amazing.



There will be a larger report in the next edition of PG tips, but this is just a quick note to say thank you so much to all the leaders, parents, Scouts and friends of PG who made this event possible, thanks to all their fantastic fundraising efforts.

It really was an amazing and life changing experience.

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